

occupation of the Oregon; in favor of Nicholas  
offices, respecting the French spoliation upon  
American commerce; in favor of Caleb Noddmg;  
Eli T. Sprague; for the repair of the road  
on the Aroostook road to the town of Snyrna;  
favor of Isaac Hacker; of the town of Casco;  
Jedediah Fairfield; for the repair of the Ma-  
ine Aroostook road; in favor of Jos. S. Kelsey;  
Walker Darling; of the town of Passadum-  
ung; of Nicholas Pierce; for the purchase of  
renewal's Maps; in favor of Henry C. Harvey  
and others; Asa Dow and others; Isaac B. Smith  
and others; George B. Giberson and others;  
James E. Perley and others; James Stuckey  
and others; Benjamin Debeck and others; and  
sa B. Harvey and others; amendatory to a Re-  
solutions appointing one hundred and fifty  
representatives among the several counties,  
towns, plantations, and classes in the  
State of Maine, at the fourth apportionment;  
authorizing Ebenezer Hale and wife to sell cer-  
tain real estate in Deer Isle; in favor of Sylvanus  
Atch; of Elliot G. Vaughn; of Joseph Will-  
amson; for the improvement of the road from  
the Military Road to the mouth of Fish River;  
in favor of I. W. Haines; providing for the opening  
and repairing of the State Road from Blanchard  
Moose Head Lake; in favor of the town of  
Aroostook; of Ashur Martin and others; authoriz-  
ing the Land Agent to purchase property at-  
tached on demands in favor of the State; making  
abatement of taxes in the east half of township  
number six, eight range west from the east line  
the State; in favor of Henry W. Paine; pro-  
viding for the repair of the Baring and Houlton  
road; for the pay of the valuation Committee;  
in favor of Joel Wellington; of William H. Pope  
and Samuel W. Pope; of Jacob Main; of George  
Twelle; of the town of Burlington; declaratory  
an amendment to the Constitution; in favor  
Charles F. Spear; authorizing the Treasurer  
receive from the Government of the United  
States certain monies which may be now credit-  
to this State or that may hereafter become  
due; in favor of Isaac Davenport; of Margaret  
rafton; laying a tax on the several counties in  
the State; in favor of the Insane Hospital; of  
amel Roberts; of Jesse Pollard; of Lucinda E.  
ragden; of Franklin Green, Jr. and others; of  
Elphalel Watson; of Chas. Abbot; of Jas. O. L.  
ster; additional concerning certain early re-  
cords of the Province of Maine; for the improve-  
ment of the Canada Road; of Elphalel Watson;  
authorizing the County Commissioners of Frank-  
lin County to lay out a road; in favor of George  
Hillston; in relation to the State Library; in  
favor of Benjamin J. Porter; providing for the re-  
pair of the Military Road; in relation to the im-  
provement of Thomas W. Dorr; establishing a  
Institution for the State of Maine; for the pay-  
ment of accounts against the State; in favor of  
William Churchill; of Southwood Sibley, E. B.  
bley and Oliver Prescott; of Benjamin Chad-  
bourne; in relation to the distribution of the an-  
nual school fund; in favor of Charles Crooker;  
of Wm. D. Crooker; of William H. Ellis and  
anon Putnam, Jr.; of Lee Normal Academy;  
additional for the payment of accounts against  
the State; in favor of James White, treasurer of  
the State; authorizing the governor to present to  
the national government the claims of Maine for re-  
muneration for lands set off to claimants, under  
treaty of Washington; in favor of Oakman  
Jordan; explanatory of the resolve entitled resolve  
in favor of Wm. H. Pope and Samuel W. Pope;  
approved March 21, 1843; in favor of Rufus N.  
aborn; of Pamela Wood; of the inhabitants of  
the town of Mayfield; providing the several  
departments of the government with necessary  
books, binding and ruling; relating to Vette-  
rarians exchanged in favor of Joseph Hodsdon;  
authorizing and directing the land agent to sell by  
public auction two lots of land in Franklin coun-  
ty; in favor of the town of Hanover; of Samuel  
Heller; to promote education in the Madawaska  
township; directing the treasurer of State to  
rush cities, towns and plantations with a  
copy of the general tax act; providing for the  
y roll of the House of Representatives—for the  
y roll of the Senate; in favor of Joseph Ber-  
ton; James S. Bennett and William Dorr; of  
mes White—94.

Washington, April 4th

There is mischief going on with respect to  
annexation, of which the country is kept in  
ignorance, and, if the administration can have  
way, will be kept in ignorance until it is too  
late to interpose any remedy. Mystery indeed  
now one of the great arts of government, and  
this Republic, where it is sometimes boasted  
there are no secrets, and that every thing is  
open board in political transactions, there is  
served the most studious and systematic  
concealment and secrecy, as to measures of the highest  
interest to the whole people.

It is under the impression that you are not  
likely to learn from any of your ordinary corre-  
spondents at Washington the present position of  
the Texas question, that I address you this letter.  
Without further preface then I state as certain—  
first, that a sort of agent has been sent to Mexico  
feel about as to whether there be any chance  
resuming diplomatic intercourse with that  
country. This person whose position more re-  
sembles that of a spy than of an authorized com-  
missioner, is of a character to be avowed or dis-  
covered at pleasure, and according to circum-  
stances. His name is Parrott, a Virginian by  
birth and once a Dentist. He went to Mexico  
many years ago turned farmer or planter there,  
did a bad business and became a bankrupt. For  
time he was American Consul there—but was  
turned out and finally left Mexico with very  
little of the respect or regard of those among  
whom he had lived. He has a wild claim for  
reimbursement, for some alleged wrongs, amounting  
is said to a million or more of dollars—and  
this is the personage lacking both character and  
discretion, who is chosen for the work of renew-  
ing, or pointing out the way for renewing our  
interrupted communications with Mexico.

Secondly, Mr. C. A. Wickliffe late P. M. Gen-  
eral whom the papers chronicle as on his way  
with his family to Kentucky, is in fact on his  
way to Texas, as confidential agent of the ad-  
ministration, to aid the Charge d'Affaires, Mr.  
Donaldson, in persuading the authorities and  
people of Texas to accept the terms of annexa-  
tion offered by the joint resolution. Of Mr.  
Wickliffe's general capacity and discretion you  
are judge—but it may be news to you that this  
gentleman has been heard to declare, that in his  
opinion, the annexation of Texas would desolve  
his Union! Yet even he accepts a special and  
confidential agency for the express purpose of in-  
ducing annexation.

Thirdly, The Administration is taxing to the  
utmost the powers of the Secretary of State,  
Mr. Buchanan, (powers by the way more over-  
stated than those of any man of note in the na-  
tion,) in an attempt to vindicate towards foreign  
States, the conduct of the United States in relation  
to annexation.

Of the accuracy of these facts you may be as-  
sured. Of their influence and bearing upon the  
interests of the country, and especially the hu-  
miliating attitude in which the mission of Mr.  
Wickliffe places us, as supplicants to Texas,  
double supplicants, by an ordinary and an extra-  
ordinary agent, I assume not to speak.

I have discharged, what seemed to me a duty  
of patriotism, in communicating the facts to  
you—and through you to the public, leaving  
comment and elucidation for others.—*Cour. N. Y.*

The correspondent of the Newark Advertiser  
says that Seth Luther one of the most prominent  
men in the Rhode Island rebellion on a visit to  
New York in search of office, became insane,  
and is now placed in an Asylum of that  
city, where he is cared for by the citizens of the  
District.

The Committee of the Louisiana Legislature  
have made a report on the subject of the frauds  
committed at the Presidential Election in the  
Parish of Plaquemine. They conclude by urg-  
ing the impeachment of the Judges of the Par-  
ish who were concerned in them.

The Standing Committee on Crops of the  
Penobscot Agricultural Society having attended  
to the duties assigned them, ask leave to

#### REPORT.

Your Committee recommend the following  
awards:

*Best Summer Wheat, (Plowed Land.)*  
To Nath'l Harlow of Bangor, Society's first  
premium of \$4.00, yield 424 bushels per acre.  
To Charles C. Heard of Exeter, second pre-  
mium of \$3.00, yield 23 bushels per acre.  
To David Crowell of Exeter, third premium  
\$2.00; yield 21½ bushels per acre.  
To William Grinnell of Exeter, fourth pre-  
mium of \$1.00, yield 21 bushels per acre.  
*Best Indian Corn, (Plowed Land.)*  
To Charles C. Heard of Exeter, first pre-  
mium of \$4.00, yield 694 bushels per acre.  
To Thomas S. Beath of Levant, second pre-  
mium of \$3.00, yield of 434 bushels per acre.  
To Thos. B. Kennison of Levant, third pre-  
mium of \$2.00, yield 364 bushels per acre.  
*Best Potatoes, (Plowed Land.)*  
To Henry Butman of Dixmont, first premium  
of \$4.00, yield 350 bushels per acre.  
*Best Oats, (Plowed Land.)*  
To William Mann of Hampden, first pre-  
mium of \$3.00, and one vol. Maine Farmer, yield  
61 bushels by weight, or 68 by measure, per  
acre.

#### Best Carrots.

To William Mann of Hampden, first premium  
on one fourth acre, white carrots, \$2.00, pro-  
duct 208 bushels equal to 632 bushels per acre.  
To Wm. Mann of Hampden, second premium  
of \$1.00 for ¼ acre yellow carrots, yield 186  
bushels.

## THE COURIER

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 1845.

### Mercantile Association—Choice of officers.

The Mercantile Association on Thursday  
evening, made choice of the following list of  
officers.

George W. Pickering, President.  
Jabez True, Vice President.  
Jeremiah Fenno, Secretary.  
F. M. Sabine, Treasurer.  
*Board of Directors.* Thomas H. Sandford,  
Isaiah Stetson, Albert Holton, Charles Hay-  
ward, Isaac K. Clark.

*Arbiters.* Solomon Parsons, James Jenkins,  
Samuel Veazie, John True, Waldo T. Pierce.

This association is now permanently estab-  
lished as one of the institutions of our city, and  
its continued prosperity and usefulness is de-  
sired by all. The present number of members is two  
hundred and seventy eight. The receipts into the  
Treasury for the past year from admission fees,  
assessments and donations, amount to \$1464.00,  
which together with one hundred and seventy  
dollars in the treasury, at the commencement of  
the year, made the available means \$1634.66—  
The expenditures, including nine hundred and  
fifty dollars appropriated for a Library, amount  
to \$1571.81. Leaving a balance in the Treas-  
ury of \$62.85.

During the last year about one thousand dol-  
lars have been contributed by the members of  
the association for the purchase of books.

The receipts for the present year including  
the sum now in the Treasury, are estimated  
at \$1032.35. The estimated expenses \$600.00  
Leaving a sum equal to four hundred dollars to  
be expended in books.

This association has established a good Read-  
ing Room which is kept supplied with many of  
the most useful papers in the country, and some  
from Europe.

An arrangement has been made with the  
Bangor Social Library by which that Library  
has been connected with the Library of the As-  
sociation. This with the books purchased and  
those already ordered, and those presented to the  
Library, make a grand total of about two thou-  
sand three hundred volumes. Among the gen-  
erous donors to this Library we notice the name  
of our fellow citizen, Hon. Gorham Parks, who  
gave one hundred and fifty bound volumes em-  
bracing the American State papers, Executive  
and Congressional documents, Diplomatic cor-  
respondence, &c., a collection of great value.  
The library is open for exchange of books every  
forenoon.

The association hold meetings once a week  
for discussions and for occasional readings of  
original essays by the members. These exer-  
cises have not yet become familiar to many of the  
members, but a fair progress has been made and  
an evident improvement is going on. The suc-  
cess of the association thus far has fully met the  
most ardent anticipations of its friends, and its  
prospects for the future are highly flattering.

It affords us much satisfaction to know that  
this Association have been able in the short  
space of about eight months, to accomplish  
so much, and to know that it is able to go for-  
ward in the noble enterprise it has undertaken.  
Its influence cannot but be favorable to the  
mental and moral advancement of all who avail  
themselves of its benefits. Association is the  
potent machinery—the modern fire-horse, in  
intellectual and moral enterprises, and in which  
it works with even more surprising power than  
in the material world. He mistakes his true  
interest and that of society, who neglects to avail  
himself of the multiplied advantages of associa-  
tion.

### Proceedings of the Adventists, or "Millerites."

There is much feeling among the people in  
several places in this vicinity on account of the  
proceedings of the receivers of the Miller theo-  
ries regarding the advent of the Savior. We  
hear less of this peculiar sect in other parts of  
the country than in our own vicinity, from the  
fact probably that elsewhere they are more dis-  
creet in their conduct, or are less numerous.

The recent trials in this city and some other  
places, and the conviction of several of the re-  
ceivers of the doctrines as vagrants have caused  
no little conversation, and with many persons  
serious reflection. The result of the whole mat-  
ter, so far as we can judge, appears to be a gen-  
eral sentiment among the people that the sooner  
the whole business is broken up the better.—  
Cochranism once prevailed extensively in this  
State, but the whole system proved itself high-  
ly pernicious and was effectually suppressed by  
public sentiment and by the law. The benefi-  
cial effects resulting from the suppression of  
Cochranism, it is contended, pleads hard for a  
similar course towards Millerism.

To our own minds, we confess the course prop-  
er to pursue in the premises is involved in some  
doubt. There is necessarily great delicacy in-  
volved in treating a subject though only partially  
mixed with the religious sentiment. We do  
not, therefore, propose to give our views of what  
should be done, but to state some of the distin-  
guishing traits of Millerism as developed in this  
vicinity. We will add in this connection how-  
ever that the course pursued here under the law  
—the imprisonment in the House of Correction  
for vagrancy of those who in truth and verity  
disturb the public peace seems to us the next  
best thing to confinement in the Insane Hospital.  
We cannot approve any indication of Lynch  
law.

There are a few leaders among the Millerites  
in this vicinity who devote themselves to the  
cause by going about from place to place pro-  
claiming the absolute certainty, according to the  
word of God, of the destruction of the world on  
a particular day within the circle of a short  
period. They resort to the most extravagant  
means for producing excitement and strongly  
advise all who wish to meet the Lord in peace  
to refrain from all labor and give themselves up  
to the work of preparation. At their meetings  
they undertake to obey literally the commands  
of the Bible and to imitate as near as possible  
many of the acts of the Savior while on earth,  
and of others mentioned in the word of God.—  
One exercise is for some of them to get upon  
their hands and knees on the floor while others  
sit astride their backs. Washing each other's  
feet—kissing and embracing each other, are  
other forms. They have an exercise called  
"holy rolling," and another "Slain of the Lord"  
when they fall upon the floor apparently help-  
less. In this state some of them give warnings  
and relate visions and recite doggeral rhymes.—  
They have a method of expressing joy by shout-  
ing and swinging of the arms and clapping of  
hands. There is the holy dance practiced and the  
holy laugh. Frequent baptisms are observed—  
some at midnight, and some personal. The lat-  
ter has been recently performed by certain worthy  
and highly accomplished young women, by  
jumping and rolling in pools of water by the  
road side. Little children have been seized and  
carried out into the night air and plunged into  
a neighboring brook. Various means are resort-  
ed to for the purpose of making sacrifices. One  
woman took her china tea set and broke it into  
small pieces. As a general thing they refrain  
from labor and dispose of their property appar-  
ently without a thought of its value or the la-  
bor and pains taking it demanded to collect it.—  
They consume their fences for fuel—have no re-  
gard to regular hours of refreshment or rest.—  
And for all these things, they think they have  
the command of God. One of their preachers  
reasoned in our hearing thus:—

"There is the dancing—we have the Bible for  
that!" He then read several passages from the  
third chapter of Ecclesiastes, in proof! The  
first eight verses of this chapter seem to be  
mainly relied upon for the sanction of most of

the country have run into strange vagaries and  
have mistaken excitement, for the serious im-  
pulses awakened by a belief in these theories.  
There are those who believe that the abandon-  
ment of some of the social virtues has been oc-  
casioned by the mistaken pursuit of excitement,  
and more than one family has had occasion to  
mourn on account of this.

We have endeavored to give a fair and im-  
partial view of Millerism as actually existing  
in this vicinity, and it seems to us that the  
whole matter furnishes a full and complete jus-  
tification for the recent legal action, and for the  
commitment of some of those engaged, to the re-  
laxation and sober pursuits of the House of cor-  
rection.

### Barnard and Brownville Slate Quarries.

The Slate Quarries at Barnard have for some  
time been worked by those acquainted with the  
business under the direction of Mr Wm Hughes.  
The Slates obtained here and also at Brown-  
ville, ring with a clear metallic sound and are of  
equal toughness, soundness, brightness and dura-  
bility with any of the Slates imported. We  
have seen many specimens which convince us  
of the facts just stated and we have also the opin-  
ions of those who understand the matter practi-  
cally.

The location of the quarries at Brownville is  
said to be highly favorable for their being suc-  
cessfully worked. They are upon both sides of  
Pleasant river, on elevated land, affording ample  
facilities for draining and for the disposal of the  
waste. The slate vein is sufficiently extensive  
to give room for five hundred men to work—  
From what has already been done at the quar-  
ries, it is ascertained, that the cost of procuring  
and preparing the slate is five dollars and fifty  
cents a ton. The cost of hauling to this city,  
wharfage, and freight to Boston about six dollars  
and a half. The actual cost per ton of the Slate  
delivered in Boston is eleven dollars and a quar-  
ter. The price of good Slates is from \$17.00 to  
\$20.00 a ton.

We are happy to learn that efforts are being  
made and which will probably be successful, for  
carrying on this business quite extensively, and  
we cannot doubt that the business prudently  
managed will afford a handsome profit and grad-  
ually increase in value and extent.

The editor of the Portland Tribune is a  
man of quiet industry and does not like to be  
unnecessarily disturbed. He has issued a sort  
of proclamation that there are a few persons  
wanted immediately by the Anti-poke-your-nose-  
into-other-people's business-Society, to whom  
a large salary will be paid and who will be re-  
quired merely to mind their own business;  
and to leave other people's alone. Applicants  
will have to show by unquestionable references  
that they never go where they are uninvited, or  
have no business—that they can't tell what has  
occurred in every family in the town since their  
residence in it, and that they never intrude into  
a printing office, through idle curiosity, asking  
the workmen questions, poking fingers into type  
cases, elbowing over types, reading over man-  
script, borrowing newspapers, &c.

All answering to the above description here  
are already engaged but there are some eminent  
cases of the other kind we should like very well  
to have employed in Portland or any where but  
here.

It is now settled that the Globe is to be  
the organ of the administration at Washington  
under the editorial direction of Mr. Ritchie of  
the Richmond Inquirer, and Mr. Heiss of the  
Nashville Union. While this arrangement is  
going on among the "upper ten thousand" of  
the administration Mr. Jesse E. Dow, late doc-  
keeper of the House, and Mr. Theophilus Fisk,  
late editor of the "Dominion," and published at  
Portsmouth, Virginia, have purchased the Man-  
sonian and are making vigorous preparation for  
publishing an organ of the "young democracy."  
Mr. Fisk has acquired a taste for tripping up  
the heels of Mr. Ritchie and intends to indulge  
in this sport.

### Salmon.

Mr Woodard at the Bangor House yesterday  
served up in his usual good style the first Salmon  
of the Season.

Competition is pretty close as Messrs Young  
& Record will serve up a plump Salmon today  
at the Franklin House, and Mr Morrill will do  
the same at the Penobscot Exchange, and the  
Messrs. Norcross will serve up one also at the  
Washingtonian House. Every body who knows  
will acknowledge that for doing up the delicate  
matter of a Salmon in first style our Bangor  
Landlords stand unrivalled.

The Washington Globe is joining in the  
exultations expressed in certain quarters over  
the downfall of the Virginian monopoly of na-  
val officers. That paper copies from another  
which says that hitherto the South has officered  
the Navy of the United States, while the North  
has only manned it; and which expresses the  
hope that Mr. Polk's administration will inform  
the country that our navy is not the property of  
Virginia, to be used as a house of refuge for the  
younger sons of her leading families.

It is said that arrangements have been  
made for continuing the Telegraph from Balti-  
more to New Orleans. The Baltimore Sun  
states that on the 8th inst. a contract was closed  
and signed with Amos Kendall, the agent of  
Morse, for this purpose. H. H. O Callahan of  
the New Orleans Crescent City is the proprietor  
of the Southern route, and intends immediately  
stretching wires from Mobile to New Orleans,  
whereby he will be able to obtain news for his  
paper twenty four hours in advance of the mail.

Thirteen dead bodies have been recovered  
from the wreck of the steamboat Swallow. The  
ladies Cabin aft has not yet been searched or  
reached, nor have the state rooms near the  
stern.

The shock which the vessel received sprung  
the cabin doors, so as to shut them close, and the  
ladies were not able to force them open.

Washington letter writers state that office-  
seekers are accumulating at Washington. Sen-  
ator Fairfield is now there taking care of his  
friends in Maine. Every whig, it is said, must  
be removed. Very well there are but few in  
office. The Tylerites, it is said, must all go by  
the board on account of their 'unofficial ap-  
pointment.'

The Boston Mail states that Mr Cunning-  
ham the gentlemanly proprietor of Steamers  
Charter Oak and Portland, has now building a  
most substantial and elegant boat to run on the  
Eastern Route, in connection with the present  
line next season. She is to be about the size of  
the Charter Oak and will be perfect in all her  
appointments.

The month of April thus far in this vicinity  
has been uncommonly cold and stormy. Last  
year there was delightful June-like weath-  
er in this month. As our pleasant spring months  
generally alternate we may expect a delightful  
May.

The people of Oregon have passed a law  
imposing a fine of \$50 upon any person who  
shall hereafter introduce ardent spirits into that  
settlement, and \$20 upon any person who shall  
sell or barter it.

We speak off, to-day, an extra edition of  
our Paper, on account of the enlargement, for  
the purpose of a general circulation of it among  
the business people of the city in hopes that  
more or less of them may be induced to add  
their names to our list.

The Eastport Sentinel says that on Satur-  
day, 6th inst., as two men, named Wheeler,  
and Hutchins, belonging to the Br. steamer ship Co-  
lumbia, were crossing the harbor at that place,  
the boat was capsized and both were drowned.

We learn that Henry S. Jones, Esq. of  
Ellsworth has been appointed Collector of  
the Customs at Bangor.

The flag  
the town  
it seems  
the board  
county ex-  
ticket, a re-  
lature, and  
majority for  
for Govern  
repudiates  
voted for T  
In the H  
no choice f  
In the S  
me.  
MEMBE  
James  
Samuel  
John /  
Truitt  
all whigs

The cha  
It was a mi  
against the  
ing votes f  
party being  
(a plurality  
Locos. Fo  
about 7,000  
Harper, (N  
These are  
The city g  
way. The  
17 wards in  
this year.

The far in the  
nine whig  
men.

The and indomi  
municipal  
elected the  
majorities.

Not

From  
returns say  
They show  
cos; 10 Ab  
In the same  
Locos, and  
Whig sect.

The upon the  
promoting  
they have  
which can  
cannot be fi  
remarks:—  
cat distinct  
power to pr  
der their ov

We great  
our observa  
ty in this  
length fast  
trouble to  
have an al  
tinction; an  
power for t  
Roman Ma  
easy, confi  
may wake t  
these matie

It is  
Rawson, th  
agement of  
ber of the  
which, and  
the new one  
of the  
the new one  
of the  
the new one  
of the

We most  
has not imp  
and that the  
altogether a

The Cap  
reported ge  
off on Fride  
from Carde  
ported the  
bills flour,  
T. had apr  
gale, was a  
pumps ch  
abandoned  
the crew s  
in.

The Glo  
rived repor

One  
of N. Har  
West Bait  
left the ca  
for the par  
gone so lon  
men were  
with the u  
rolled upon  
mains we  
Wednesday  
without a

A co  
that Mr L  
on the Ma  
Messrs' S  
ago, haule  
three fine  
scaled 600  
one mile s  
This load  
Bangor in  
ships No.

The  
locofoco  
pire Club  
others of a  
Waterford  
which he  
and brand  
is to appe  
rage.

A J  
in our str  
by J. S. J  
old, and w  
are our ne  
Smith &

Ti  
a rumor i  
that city,  
ham, is cl  
with the l  
advantage  
their resp

Th  
ed Jacob  
to fill the  
Senator V

John R  
Albany or  
Hampsh  
tive party  
Hampsh  
ty in the

Th  
Clifton fi  
robbed of  
money ac

Th  
rs river—  
feet high  
destructi

Dr  
Charles.

Re